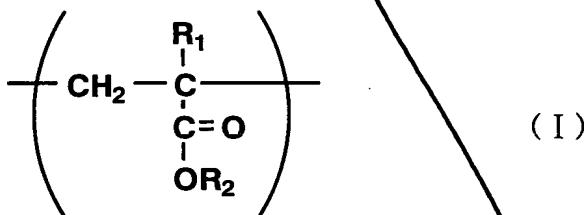


What is claimed is:

1. A process for producing a poly(meth)acrylate having a reduced metal content which comprises contacting a mixture of a poly(meth)acrylate and an organic solvent with an acidic aqueous solution.

5 2. The process according to Claim 1, wherein the poly(meth)acrylates has a weight average molecular weight of about 1,000 to 100,000.

10 3. The process according to Claim 1, wherein the poly(meth)acrylates is a resin having a repeating unit represented by the following formula (I):



wherein R₁ represents hydrogen or an alkyl having 1 to 4 carbon atoms, and R₂ represents an organic group.

15 4. The process according to Claim 3, wherein R₁ represents hydrogen and methyl.

5. The process according to Claim 3, wherein R₂ represents alkyls which may be straight-chained or branched and may 20 have a substituent selected from hydroxyl, alkoxy, acyl and acyloxy, and cyclic alkyls which may have a substituent selected from hydroxyl, alkoxy, acyl and acyloxy.

6. The process according to Claim 1, wherein the acidic aqueous solution is an aqueous solution obtained by

dissolving a polyprotic carboxylic acid having about 2 to 12 carbon atoms in water.

7. The process according to Claim 6, wherein the polyprotic carboxylic acid is selected from oxalic acid, succinic acid, fumaric acid, maleic acid, malonic acid and adipic acid.